41. (once amended) A communications system for communicating between an information provider and users at client computers on a computer network, the system comprising:



a satellite receiver operating to receive download data from the information provider;

a plurality of client computers on a computer network, each of said client computers including first network hardware and first network software for communication with the computer network, each of said client computers also including application software for communications with the information provider;

a server computer, including second network hardware and second network software for communications with the computer network, in electronic communication with said satellite receiver and in electronic communication with the computer network, said server computer operating to receive the download data from said satellite receiver and operating to route the download data to said plurality of client computers for use by the application software on each of said client computers, via the computer network;

and said computer network connected to said plurality of client computers and connected to said server computer whereby said server computer provides routing for the download data to said plurality of client computers.

Please replace claim 59 with the following "clean version" of the amended claim.

59. (once amended) A server computer for communicating between a global communications network and client computers on a computer network, the server computer comprising:

network hardware for connecting said server computer to the computer network; communications hardware for enabling electronic communications with a satellite receiver;

a processor; and

a computer readable medium containing:

network instructions for communications between said server computer and the computer network;

satellite instructions for communications between said server computer and the satellite receiver;

router instructions, said router instructions operating to receive download data from the global communications network and operating to route the download data to a plurality of client computers connected to a local area network; and

wherein said network instructions, said satellite instructions and said router instructions are executable by said processor.



Please replace claim 70 with the following "clean version" of the amended claim.



70. (once amended) A server computer for providing access to a global communications network for a plurality of client computers on a computer network, the server computer comprising:

a network interface;

a satellite receiver interface;

a processor; and

at least one storage device, said storage device containing:

a network driver;

a satellite driver; and

router instructions, said router instructions operating to receive download data from the global communications network through a satellite receiver and through the satellite receiver interface and operating to route the download data to a plurality of client computers connected to a computer network through the network interface, and wherein said router instructions are executable by said processor.

71. (once amended) A server computer for providing access to a global communications network for a plurality of client computers on a computer network, the server computer comprising:

a network interface;

a satellite receiver interface;

a processor; and

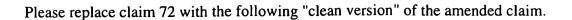
non-volatile memory, said non-volatile memory containing:

a network driver;

a satellite driver; and

router instructions, said router instructions operating to receive download data from the global communications network through a satellite receiver and through the satellite receiver interface and operating to route the download data to a local area network connected to a plurality of client computers through the network interface, and wherein said router instructions are executable by said processor.







72. (once amended) A method for providing access to a global communications network for a plurality of client computers on a computer network, which comprises:

receiving download data from a satellite receiver in electronic communication with a server computer; and

routing the download data from the server computer to the plurality of client computers connected to the computer network.



73. (once amended) A computer-readable medium containing instructions for providing access to a global communications network for a plurality of client computers on a computer network, wherein the instructions comprise executable instructions for implementing a method comprising:

receiving download data from a satellite receiver in electronic communication with a server computer; and

routing the download data to the plurality of client computers, each of which is electrically connected to a computer network, via the computer network.

Version of claim 41 with markings to show the changes made.

41. (once amended) A communications system for communicating between an information provider and users at client computers on a computer network, the system comprising:

a satellite receiver operating to receive download data from the information provider;

a plurality of client computers on a computer network, each of said client

computers including first network hardware and first network software for

communication with the computer network, each of said client computers also including

application software for communications with the information provider;

a server computer, including second network hardware and second network

software for communications with the computer network, in electronic communication

with said satellite receiver and in electronic communication with the computer network,

said server computer operating to receive the download data from said satellite receiver

and operating to route the download data to said plurality of client computers for use by

the application software on each of said client computers, via the computer network;

and said computer network connected to said plurality of client computers and

connected to said server computer whereby said server computer provides routing for the

download data to said plurality of client computers.

Version of claim 59 with markings to show the changes made.

59. (once amended) A server computer for communicating between a global communications network and client computers on a computer network, the server computer comprising:

network hardware for connecting said server computer to the computer network; communications hardware for enabling electronic communications with a satellite receiver;

a processor; and

a computer readable medium containing:

network instructions for communications between said server computer and the computer network;

satellite instructions for communications between said server computer and the satellite receiver;

router instructions, said router instructions operating to receive download data from the global communications network and operating to route the download data to a plurality of client computers connected to a local area network; and

wherein said network instructions, said satellite instructions and said router instructions are executable by said processor.

Version of claim 70 with markings to show the changes made.

70. (once amended) A server computer for providing access to a global communications network for a plurality of client computers on a computer network, the server computer comprising:

a network interface;

a satellite receiver interface;

a processor; and

at least one storage device, said storage device containing:

a network driver;

a satellite driver; and

router instructions, said router instructions operating to receive download data from the global communications network through a satellite receiver and through the satellite receiver interface and operating to route the download data to a plurality of client computers connected to a computer network through the network interface, and wherein said router instructions are executable by said processor.

Version of claim 71 with markings to show the changes made.

71. (once amended) A server computer for providing access to a global communications network for a plurality of client computers on a computer network, the server computer comprising:

a network interface;

a satellite receiver interface;

a processor; and

non-volatile memory, said non-volatile memory containing:

a network driver;

a satellite driver; and

router instructions, said router instructions operating to receive download data from the global communications network through a satellite receiver and through the satellite receiver interface and operating to route the download data to a <u>local area</u> network connected to a plurality of client computers through the network interface, and wherein said router instructions are executable by said processor.

Version of claim 72 with markings to show the changes made.

72. (once amended) A method for providing access to a global communications network for a plurality of client computers on a computer network, which comprises:

receiving download data from a satellite receiver in electronic communication with a server computer; and

routing the download data from the server computer to the plurality of client computers [via] connected to the computer network.

Version of claim 73 with markings to show the changes made.

73. (once amended) A computer-readable medium containing instructions for providing access to a global communications network for a plurality of client computers on a computer network, wherein the instructions comprise executable instructions for implementing a method comprising:

receiving download data from a satellite receiver in electronic communication with a server computer; and

routing the download data to the plurality of client computers, each of which is electrically connected to a computer network, via the computer network.